



Creating a world  
**FREE FROM FEAR**  
of gender-based violence



Dear Adventurer,

As the Founder & the CEO of [Action Breaks Silence](#), South Africa and [Action Breaks Silence](#) United Kingdom I would like to invite you to be part of the first ever joint Action Breaks Silence Mt Kilimanjaro Fundraising Challenge. As we hope to climb with supporters from both South Africa and the UK, through a very good contact of mine in the UK I have been introduced to local Tanzania couple that founded the company [The Peak of Africa and Below](#) and due to their vast experience and being local I have decided to use James and Sylvana. The good news is the trip will cost +- £200 less. To maximize the chance for all of us to summit, a 7-day trek will still apply.

I have attached the information however to confirm dates, both SA and UK supporters will arrange to fly into the Kilimanjaro International Airport on Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> September. Please do not book flights yet as we need to ensure the we all arrive as closely to each other so that James and Sylvana can arrange transport for both groups. 20<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> September trekking and then either depart Tanzania on the 27<sup>th</sup> September go onto a few days of beach or safari, James and Sylvana can arrange this for yo

Not only will you have the opportunity to step outside your daily routine and trek with an incredible group of socially minded people to the summit of the highest free standing mountain in the world; you will be raising much needed funding to support the work of a charity that is committed to educate, engage and empower communities in South Africa, India and the UK with an aim to stop gender based violence against women and girls. To date, we have taught nearly 58,000 women, girls and boys, who are empowered to act as catalysts for change in their local communities.

As mentioned above, to increase the chances of the entire group summiting the mountain, 7-day trek on the Machame Route has been selected using their Superior Package option. This excludes the travel days on each side of the trek. This is a once in a lifetime experience and we would love for you to join us for this challenge.

Participants will be expected self-fund the £1,320 or R25,000 (please note that if you are from outside South Africa the exchange rate may vary slightly in the coming months) for the 7-day trip and raise £1.5k for Action Breaks Silence. This includes, all accommodation, 95% of meals for the 7 trekking days and local transport.

This excludes the international air fares; the compulsory tips for guides, which is between \$250-\$350 per hiker depending on group size and number of days on the mountain; vaccinations, of which yellow fever is compulsory; trekking gear, most can be rented ahead by email from South Africa and delivered to the hotel for when you arrive.

You are free to fundraise above the required £1.5k and that can be used to fund part of your trip. So, if you raise £2k your trip cost would only be £820. Good news is that you have nearly 8 months to do this.

Please join us to experience this majestic mountain in the heart of Africa and help raise funds, so that we can continue our important work to bring an end to sexual and gender-based violence in UK, India and South Africa. Less talk, MORE ACTION!

To give you an idea of financial commitments, we would expect a 20% non-refundable deposit on confirmation of your place, this will be deducted from your invoice. Then by the end of March 2020, a further 20% of the total trek cost and finally 7 weeks before the we leave the full outstanding balance.

Should anyone want to trek with your children (14 years + only) reduced rates apply.

I have attached more information on our challenge and would be grateful if you could confirm your interest by e-mailing me before the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020 or sooner if possible. Once we have the confirmed participants, I will send more information out.

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Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

**Debi Steven**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

